

Lions Seek 2nd Win, Battle Carnegie Tech

By Ray Koehler

Instead of finding the traditional "welcome" mat greeting them tonight at Rec Hall, Carnegie Tech's court quintet will encounter an "enter-at-your-own-risk" attitude as it tackles a determined Penn State combine in an 8 o'clock contest.

Both squads will try to snap respective losing streaks, each Jefferson group by a 69-47 score collegiate entry having dropped its previous game. The Schenley Park brain factory team lost to a hot-and-cold Washington and Wednesday night, and Penn State dropped its most recent fray against Colgate, 58-40. Mike Theodore, highest scorer

Between The Lions

By Tom Morgan
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Foggy Will

Witty Wilbert, our admiring fraternity brother, is alert for a novel twist of names and delights in drawing a neat association of persons' names and their pursuits.

For example, yesterday he approached us this way: "Penn State sure has the appropriate names in the right spots. We got Fogg, the old coach, wishin' for snow. Get it—Fogg and snow! A killer!"

Wil emitted a loud guffaw and slapped us exuberantly in the small of the back, then bent over us prostrate on the floor and continued:

"And there's that guy Red Waters on the swimming team. Get it—Waters on the swim team! What a juicy plum!"

This time we missed the sting of his glad hand by executing a crude somersault. Vaulting to a standing position, we fled safely into a phone booth as the Witty One jarred the door and shouted something about a football passer-chucker named John Chuckran.

When Wil's emotion and wit were exhausted we sauntered out of the booth and calmly posed:

"What can you do with Drasenovich and football?"

7 Sophs Vie In Washington Track Meet

Seven sophomores will dominate the Nittany Lion track squad tonight when the Penn State runners vie for individual honors in the Washington Star Invitational meet at Washington, D.C.

Newcomers to the Blue and White squad will compete in seven events including the mile and two-mile relays.

With Horace Ashenfelter still on the sick list from a broken foot received during the cross-country season and Jerry Karver on the alumni list, Coach Chick Werner will have to call on Sophomores John McCall and John St. Clair to step into the shoes formerly filled by the Lion "track twins".

Two other sophs, Ron Coder and Victor Fritts, will compete in the field events, pole vault and high jump, while a fifth "underclassman", Bob Parsons, will run in the 1000-yard event.

Bill Lockhart, another soph, will complete last year's trio of Wilbert Lancaster, Ike Evans and Paul Koch in the mile relay and in the two-mile relay. Sophomore Bob Freebairn completes the squad of John Bates, Bob Bour and Mitch Williams.

WIN-LESS
The Lion relay team went through last year's indoor season without winning a meet, and with three of the most outstanding squads, Texas A & M, Seton Hall and Villanova listed for that event, Penn State will be hard pressed to stay in the race.

In the 70-yard high hurdles, Jim Gehrdes will open his indoor season tonight against strong opposition. Gehrdes, who won the 120-yard hurdle race at the Sugar Bowl games in December, is expected to repeat his performance in Washington.

in the Pittsburgh area with 163 points in ten games, will lead Coach "Wild Bill" Donohue's attack against the Lions.

Coach John Lawther, State mentor, could take a page out of W.&J.'s book by jamming up the middle against the prolific-scoring Pittsburgh center, who is averaging 16 markers a game. The Presidents held Theodore to a mere ten points in Skibo Gym by the simple expedient of keeping the ball out of his eager hands.

Once mighty Mike was stopped, the whole Tartan offense collapsed. Theodore is conceded to be one of the best all-around players in the Smoky City area, and according to press notices is a cinch to go down in Carnegie history as one of its all-time basketball greats.

The Plaid comes to State College owning equally as lackluster a record as the Lions, winning three—two more than the Lawther crew—but dropping seven. Carnegie's wins have been registered over Grove City, St. Vincent and Bethany College.

RIEHL AT GUARD

Donohue plans to use a moderate fast break with a close man-to-man defense, Jack Riehl, a star in his own right and Tech's best set shot, will be stationed at one of the guard spots. Running beside the 20-year-old senior will be Martin Chetlin, one of the fastest and best defensive men on the team, despite his 5-foot, 8-inch stature.

At the forward positions Donohue will have Joe Matsey, one of his biggest men, at 6 feet, 3 inches, and Robert McCullough, a Portland, Oregon sophomore, who is a deadly one-hand shot from anywhere within a 15-foot radius of the basket.

For the Nittany Valley team—which has copped one game while dropping four—about the only dribbler conceded a chance to out-gun the Tartan's Theodore is blond Milt Simon. Simon is being counted upon to supply the Lions' heavy artillery.

Joe Tocci, State's leading point producer with 41 tallies in five games, and Simon will handle the ball-handling chores. Marty Costa, main reason for the Lions' chance to rule the backboards, will guard the center lane, with Terry Ruhlman, senior class president, and Ken Weiss opening at the forwards.

Boxers Speed Up Drill Pace; Season Outlook Brightens

Speeding up sparring sessions to three two-minute rounds, Coach Leo Houck's charges are quickly shaping into what looks to be one of the Lions' most successful ring units in recent years.

What was expected to be one of the sore spots of the '49 ring Lions, the 155-pound class which was left vacant when last season's captain and former Eastern champ Jackie Tighe graduated, will be ably filled by one of a host of boxing aspirants for that weight division.

Leading the parade of contenders for the 155 class is Jack Sheehy, last year's regular 145-pounder, who has gained sufficient weight to be able to compete in that division.

155 POUNDERS

But it is going to be a nip-and-tuck battle before a starter can be named. Bill Curtin, fraternity 155-pound champ; Pat Helms, a lanky Osceola Mills battler; Ted Best, Clark Young, Dick Dumm and George Neal all are in the race for a starting berth at 155 pounds.

Only other position of the team which was vacant due to the loss of last year's regular is the 135-weight class. But according to present day performances this class, next to heavyweight division, will be the Lions' strongest weight division with such alert ringsters as aggressive Ollie Wallace, Harry Papacharalambos and Louis



FRANCIS ROGEL

Football Wake... Rogel Places 38th Among GroundGainers

By Elliot Krane

Smashing through the opposition for more than 600 yards, full-back Fran Rogel finished the 1948 college season in 38th place among the nation's leading ground gainers, according to statistics released by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

ONE OF FEW

The list, composed of 60 of the nation's leading pigskin carriers, includes mainly scatbacks and break-away runners. Rogel is one of the few power plungers included in the ratings.

The team as a whole finished the season in second place in rushing defense, allowing the opposition only 83.3 yards per game, while in offense, the once-defeated Lions placed 25th, with an average of 216.1 yards per game.

Scoring three touchdowns and completing 23 passes, Sam Tamburo, the Nittany Lion All-American end, finished the season in 20th place among the nation's pass receivers.

Elwood Petchel, who finished the season in 40th place in the passing department, completed 480 of his passes, but his passes accounted for only 628 yards and nine touchdowns.

STURGES

In place-kicking, Carl Sturges finished in 19th place with a .781 percentage for 25 conversions in 32 attempts.

The NCAA statistics also show that the Lions ranked 19th in pass defense, allowing opponents only 74.9 yards per game, and limiting the opposition to three touchdowns.

Nittany Wrestlers Meet Cornell Mat Combine

Cornell University's wrestling team, one of the East's foremost mat aggregations, plays host to Coach Charlie Speidel's Lion grapplers tonight at Ithaca, N. Y.

Acting Coach of the Big Red and former NAAU 145-pound champion, Erie "Jim" Miller, considers Penn State one of the high spots of the Cornell schedule and anticipates plenty of competition

AGR's Swamp Acacia, 32-5

Alpha Gamma Rho stumbled onto the perfect IM cage setup Thursday night—a combination of air-tight defense and a point-maker deluxe—to swamp Acacia, 32-5, on the Rec hall boards.

Ray Heimbach was the point-making star, skittering frequently under the Acacia hoop and piling through a total of 16 points. His mates backed him with a defensive web that held the losers scoreless through the first half, and eased to allow only five in the second.

"D" leaguers Sigma Nu and Chi Phi continued in a knot for their circuit leadership. Sigma Nu, on the strength of fancy scoring by John Smidansky, easily trounced Alpha Chi Sigma, 25-16; but the Chi Phi's had more trouble downing Pi Lambda Phi by a whisker, 15-13.

Phi Kappa Sigma walloped Sigma Phi Sigma, 30-13, and Sigma Pi beat Delta Theta Sigma, 17-9, to keep the "C" circuit tied. In other action, Phi Kappa bounced Triangle, 22-13; Phi Kappa Tau defeated Sigma Phi Alpha, 20-5; Sigma Phi Epsilon edged Delta Chi, 21-19, and Alpha Phi Alpha slid by Alpha Sigma Phi, 10-8.

Monday's schedule follows: 8:45 p.m.—Alpha Epsilon Pi vs. Pi
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from the troublesome Nittanias. The Cornell matmen are fresh from copping an upset 14-13 verdict over last year's eastern kingpin, Lehigh.

Assistant Coach Charlie Ride-nour has taken a squad of junior varsity wrestlers on the trip. The Lion Cubs challenge the Cornell Jayvees this afternoon.

BARR

Homer Barr, promising Blue and White heavyweight, receives the acid test tonight. He meets Dick Clark, one of the top heavies in the EIWA, who has a win and a draw with Lehigh's Don Bernick as his season's record.

Speidel is counting on the former Clearfield grappler to aid the Lions this year, and the Barr-Clark duel should prove one of the evening's top bouts. If Barr does get past Clark, he can look forward to a successful season.

MAUREY

Another ex-Clearfielder, Jim Maurey, will be out for his second win in the 145-pound class. He tangles with John Adams. Other varsity grapplers will be John Reese, 121; Jim Walker or Jack Dreibeblis, 128; Al Fasnacht, 136 Grant Dixon, 155; Bob Hetrick, 168, and Bill "Spider" Corman at 175-pounds.

Jayvee slots will be held down by George Schautz, 121; Dreibeblis or Walker, 128; "Bucky" Edinger, 136; Mickey Silverman, 145; Larry Shallcross, 155; Aubrey McIlvaine, 165; Bob Markle, 175 and Wally Chambers, heavyweight.

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